

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 4-6 without prejudice or disclaimer.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Original) A method of uprating electric machines including a stator core with stacked lamination packages, the method comprising:  
  
removing at least a last one of the stacked lamination packages at each end of the stator core; and  
  
re-stacking the removed lamination packages with a lower core loss material.
2. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the stacked lamination packages comprise grain-oriented iron silicon punching (M-6) having a with-grain core loss of about 0.573 at 1.5 T (W/lb), and wherein the re-stacking step comprises re-stacking the removed lamination packages with a higher grade grain-oriented iron silicon punching having a with-grain core loss less than M-6.
3. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the re-stacking step comprises re-stacking the removed lamination packages with M-4 iron silicon punching.
- 4-6. (Canceled)
7. (Original) An uprated electric machine assembled according to the method of claim 1.